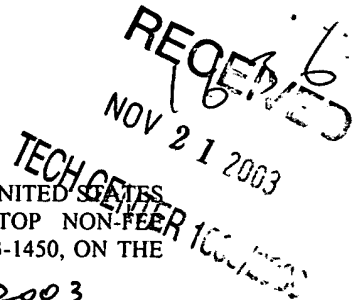




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AMENDMENT

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated August 12, 2003 (Paper No. 16), sent in connection with the above-identified application. This Amendment is being timely filed in view of the three-month shortened statutory period for response, which sets the time for a response to the Office Action to and through Wednesday, November 12, 2003.

In response to the Office Action, kindly amend the application as follows: